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James Wilson Redding.

Dec. 8 one of the prominent young farmers and a very popular young man died at his home 15 miles north of this city. Influenza laid hold on him and pneumonia quickly developed and in a little over ten days from the time he had to take his bed he was a corpse.

James Wilson Redding was the son of James A. Redding deceased, and his wife, Mrs. Carrie Redding and was born on the old Saunders farm south of Marcelline May, 26, 1892. He was reared on the farm, attending the country schools and when 13 united with the Baptist church. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, his Lodge of Rothville conducting funeral rites, Rev. Elmer Love of Liberty preaching a preliminary service.

Miss Leta Frances Mitchell of Richmond became the bride of the young man Dec. 31, 1916, who survives together with his mother, Mrs. Geo. Ketchum, four sisters and brother John. Even tho we had not lost so many young and valuable men for war purposes, so we can ill afford to part with such citizens as was Jim Redding. He was a young man, full of hope and promise estimable value as a model for young men possessed of progressive ideas and purposes.

We deeply sympathize with those who will most deeply feel his loss.

Report of Chariton County Red Cross Chapter

Within a year beginning Oct. 1917 the chapter shipped out from the production department the following: Finished hospital garments 10,056, knitted articles 2216, surgical dressings 46439, the chapter has also sent out 3700 lbs. of second hand clothing for the Belgian relief commission, raised \$11746.47 for the 2nd war fund drive, the nursing service, the home service and conservation committees have fine reports. The entire jurisdiction, 11 townships has been completely organized, having eleven chapters and five auxiliaries doing splendid active work.

Will all branches please send in a complete record of the output of their work rooms, that they may be given individual credit locally for their years work. All branches have done so well I am anxious for each to know how the others were interested, actively, as well as otherwise.

In a way I feel very much complimented to have been so closely associated, with such a fine body of interested cooperative workers, and heartily thank all who have helped to make our chapter worthy of congratulations from headquarters.

Let our hearts keep our hands busy in whatever way our divisional manager sees for us to do, for much is yet to be done.

Mrs. W. E. Williams.

Methodist Church

Christmas services will be held in the morning, with special musical features at both Sunday School at 9:45, and preaching service at 11:00. All are cordially invited to attend these Christmas services. Be one of 500 to attend church in Keytesville Sunday.

Epworth League service will be held at 6:30 p. m. and the regular evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Milton C. Davis, Pastor.

Geo. Preston sold 52 head of 1100 pound feeding steers which had never been fed corn at \$12.00 or over \$130 the head.

Two More Days

Join



Make this a Red Cross Christmas



Put your flag in your window

The happiest, merriest Christmas the world ever knew is almost here. But in the rejoicings of peace and freedom there is one note of seriousness that America must not forget — there is misery and distress and sickness all over the world. Relief must be given. The work of the Red Cross MUST go on. And to carry on, the Red Cross MUST have the support of your membership.

Join the Red Cross

- all you need is a heart and a dollar



Wear your Button

Will you be wearing your membership button when the boys come home?

Join

If you do nothing else Christmas, become a member of the greatest organization in the world. Last call except once a year for annual dues.

Homer Ainsworth Dead.

Homer A. Ainsworth, until a little more than a year ago, a well known business man of this place, died at his home, 915 North 10th St., Kansas City, Kansas, Monday night, according to a message received by friends here. Death was due to influenza, and followed an illness of only a few days. Burial will take place at Olathe, Kans. Friday. He is survived by his widow and one brother, G. B. Ainsworth. At the time of his death he was engaged in the undertaking business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ainsworth were Salisbury citizens for several years, and have many friends here, who are grieved to learn of his death.

During his residence here Mr. Ainsworth was associated with his brother in the furniture business and later in the livery business. — P.S.

H. A. Ainsworth was in the furniture and undertaking business in this city for some time and he and Mrs. Ainsworth made many friends, who will sympathize with the widow.

Stock Market.

K. City Wednesday

Top corn steers \$17.50. Receipts moderate. Lower on fat. Top hogs \$17.45. Big rush made 10 to 15 lower. To prevent glut, shipments are side tracked en route to market.

Top lambs \$14.40 25cts. lower.

France Greatly Honors Our Country

Expressions of Sincerest Friendship and Disposition to Harmonize.

President Wilson favors sinking all German Warships. Other nations do not approve the plan. Cannot agree on parcelling between nations. President Wilson said to insist on League of Nations.

The movements of our President are more like a triumphal parade in France than the visit of a democratic head of a democratic nation, but France appears determined to shower all honors possible on the greatest man in the world.

The French officials and people withhold no expression or demonstration of their good will and dependence on the wisdom of our representatives.

President Wilson favors sink-

ing all German war vessels to prevent jealousies between nations desiring them. Many nations, principally the smaller nations, do not agree to the plan. Parcelling out the warships satisfactorily would be difficult.

It is reported that President Wilson insists on a league of nations, but what that means exactly has not been confided to the people of this country.

No More Red Cross Calls

It is officially announced that there will be no more calls by the Red Cross. It will be financed hereafter by the National organization. Only annual dues of members will be called for hereafter after this Christmas roll call. Look at the cuts in this issue and see if either and all of them don't appeal to you to become a member now.

Presbyterian Church

11:00 o'clock Christmas Service
Voluntary, Yuletide Chords,
Mrs. A. A. Mathews
"Holy Night", By choir
Invocation
Christmas Gloria
Responsive reading
Prayer
Hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing". The Mendelssohn
Offertory, Violin Solo, "The Holy City." Robert Mathews
Quartet, "Hail King of Kings"
Misses Edwards and Sneed,
Mesdames Carskaddon and Westbrook
Sermon, "The Fullness of Thine"
Hymn, "Joy to The World"
6:30 Christian Endeavor
7:30 Stereophon Views on "The Immigration Crusade"

Patriotic Speaking

Saturday afternoon, 3:30 at the American Theatre a noted speaker will deliver a patriotic address. Everybody cordially invited to be present.

Salisbury

Christmas festivities will be taboo here on account of flu and other sickness.

So far as we can learn all our sick people are on the mend for which all are thankful.

The Logan-Moore Lumber Co., is building an extensive addition to their plant on Broadway.

Mrs. J. R. Mason is now in Kansas City at the home of her daughter Mrs. Spratt where she will visit for awhile.

Mrs. Moredock has returned from a three weeks visit to her son, Minter, in Webster Groves, Mo.

For several days Mrs. Susan Oestreich has been quite sick and she does not improve as her friends could wish. We hope for her recovery.

Dr. Rush Mason and others went to the capital Tuesday to probate the will of the late J. R. Mason. The property was willed to the family.

Our heart goes out to the family of W. F. Evans in their affliction. Three deaths in about two weeks, mother, daughter and daughter-in-law, leaving the father and youngest child alone. Sad, sad in deed is the once happy household.

About 10 o'clock Wednesday morning the fire alarm gave warning the colored school building was on fire. The department responded as quickly as possible and soon had the fire under control, the damage being small.

Among the other sad deaths we record this week is that of Miss Anna Hackley which occurred the latter part of last week. She was a noble girl and her untimely death not only shocked the family, but cast a gloom over the entire town. Peace to her remains.

Mrs. Fred Kellar, nee Evans, died at the home of her husband, two and one half miles east of town, Saturday and after funeral from the Methodist church remains were laid to rest in our city cemetery. This was another sad case that evoked much sympathy.

Word comes from Benton City, Mo., of the death of Mrs. John Stumff, niece of the writer. An older son had been out hunting and on returning set the shot gun down in the kitchen where the mother was at work. A five year old son got hold of the gun and in some manner caused it to be discharged, the whole charge entering the mothers breast and killing her instantly.

Mrs. Floretta Rote, nee Tate, died at the home of her father Dec. 13, 1918, aged 28 years, after a short illness of flu and pneumonia. Only a few days before she had been relieved of a still born child. Thus mother and child are both taken. The husband and father, if alive, is some where in France. This was one of the sad cases in the history of the epidemic.

Herbert Phillips.

Widow Elizabeth Phillips lost her son Jesse by his death in France but a few weeks ago. Last Friday her son and main prop, Herbert died of flu followed by pneumonia. He was born on the farm northeast of town Dec. 30, 1890, and was industrious and respected by his neighbors. Song and prayer were had at the grave in the Bennett Cemetery Sunday.

The sympathies of the community are extended to the unfortunate mother.